

Testimony of Animal Control Officer Noranne Nielsen, 4 South Eagleville Rd, Mansfield CT 06268.

I support HB 5707 and would like to see a definition of “shelter for a dog” in the CGS.

I think a proper shelter has the following requirements:

An outdoor shelter for a dog should be sturdy and made of wood or vinyl or metal and provide a warm place in the winter and cool spot in the summer.

The shelter needs to be windproof and keep snow/rain out. It should be raised off of the ground and filled with hay or straw.

The shelter should be snug, but large enough that the dog can turn around.

In the winter the opening should be facing South. In the summer the opening should be facing North, and be closed off on 3 sides.

I have been an ACO for 15+ years in the town of Mansfield.

Thank you.

3/18/15 ACO Noranne Nielsen